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Wetlands Section

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PUBLIC NOTICE

To all interested parties:

This letter shall serve as a formal notice of the receipt of an application for **Section 401 Water Quality Certification** by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The purpose of the notice is to inform the public of active applications submitted for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341) and to solicit comments and information on any impacts to water quality related to the proposed project. IDEM will evaluate whether the project complies with Indiana's water quality standards as set forth at 327 IAC 2.

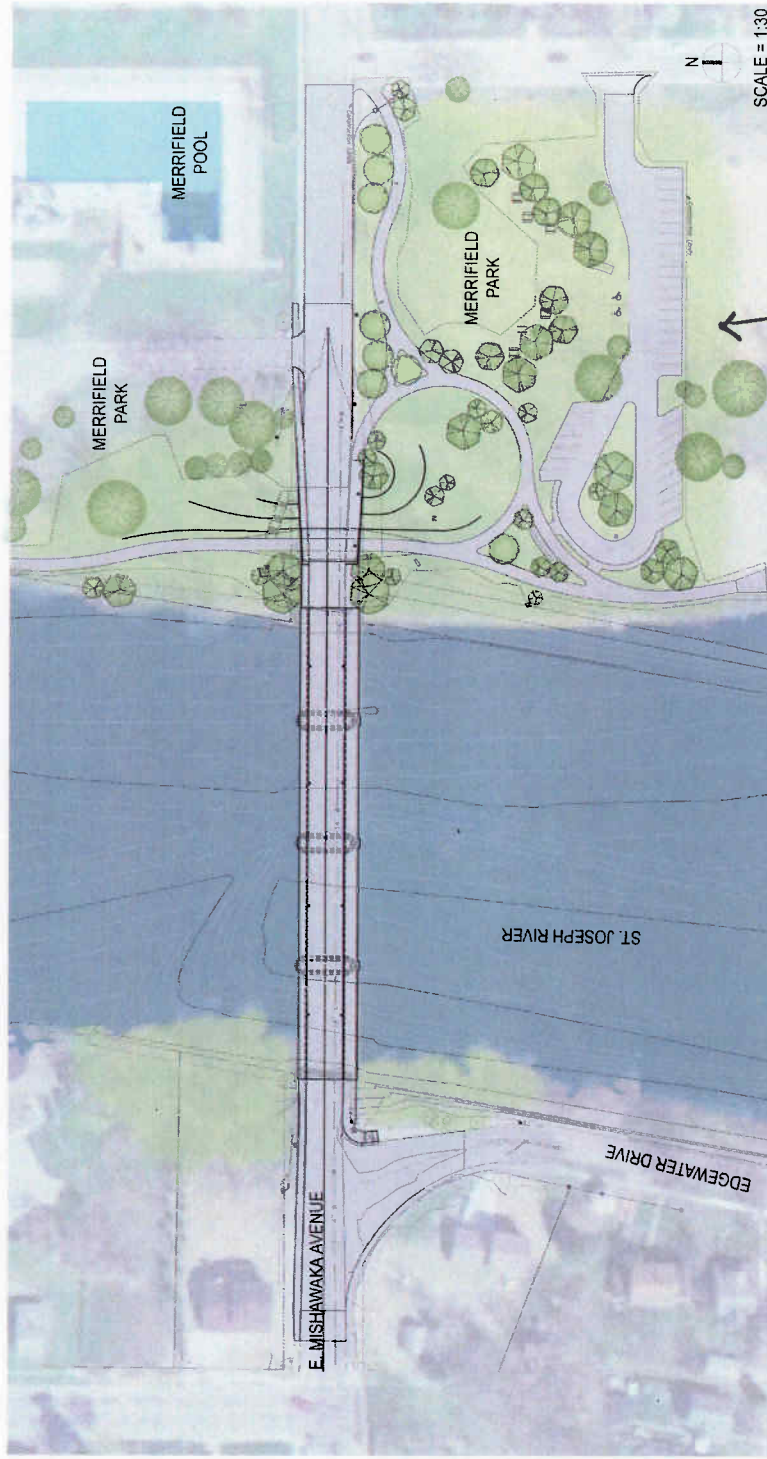
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| 1. Applicant: | Ms. Jessica Clark
St. Joseph County
227 W. Jefferson Blvd.
South Bend, IN 46601 | 2. Agent: | Mr. Michael Kummeth
DLZ Indiana, LLC
2211 E. Jefferson Blvd.
South Bend, IN 46615 |
| 3. Project location: | S 1/2 Section 10, Township 37 North, Range 3 East, South Bend East USGS Quad Map
Project is located where Mishawaka Ave. crosses the St. Joseph River, in Mishawaka, St. Joseph County | | |
| 4. Affected waterbody: | St. Joseph River (non-salmonid portion) | | |
| 5. Project Description: | The applicant proposes to rehabilitate the existing Mishawaka Ave. bridge over the St. Joseph River. In addition to above-water rehabilitation, riprap is proposed to be placed around the bridge piers and abutments in the river to fill existing scour holes and protect from future erosion. Approximately 387 cubic yards of riprap will be placed around the three piers and two abutments below the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM) of the river; total impact is 0.12 acre. Additionally, an outfall will be constructed along the east bank of the river (3'wide, 1 cubic yard of riprap placed below OHWM) to collect drainage from 1,500' of new riverwalk trail, pedestrian tunnel under the bridge, and a reconstructed parking lot to be added to adjacent Merrifield Park. | | |

Comment period: Any person or entity who wishes to submit comments or information relevant to the aforementioned project may do so by the closing date noted above. Only comments or information related to water quality or potential impacts of the project on water quality can be considered by IDEM in the water quality certification review process.

Public Hearing: Any person may submit a written request that a public hearing be held to consider issues related to water quality in connection with the project detailed in this notice. The request for a hearing should be submitted within the comment period to be considered timely. The request should also state the reason for the public hearing as specifically as possible to assist IDEM in determining whether a public hearing is warranted.

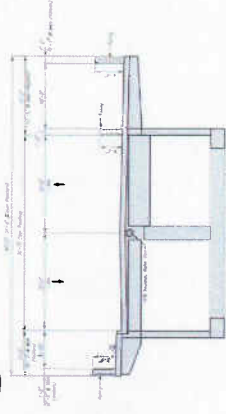
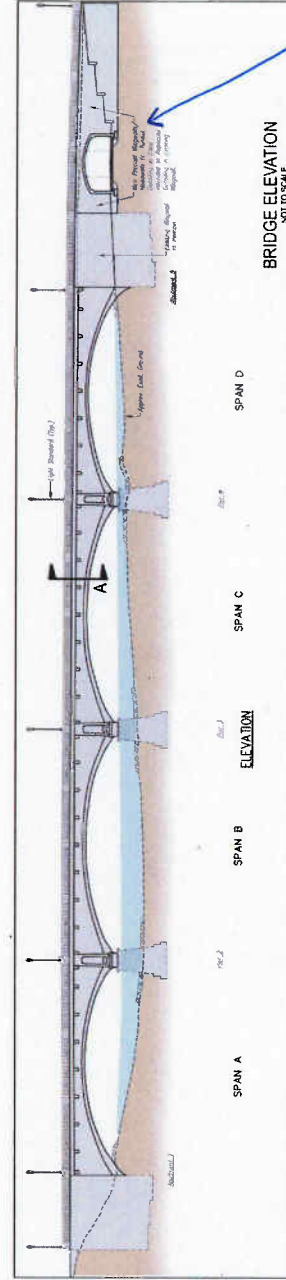
Questions? Additional information may be obtained from Ms. Liz Pelloso, Project Manager, at 317-233-2482. Please address all correspondence to the project manager and reference the IDEM project identification number listed on this notice. Indicate if you wish to receive a copy of IDEM's final decision. Written comments and inquiries may be forwarded to -

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location of proposed trail & parking lot improvements



Mishawaka Avenue Bridge

pedestrian
tunnel



Overview of bridge rehab below OHWM of the river

